

News Release

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JTRS Science and Technology Forum to be Held at UCSD

SAN DIEGO – The Joint Program Executive Office for the Joint Tactical Radio System (JPEO JTRS) is sponsoring the "JTRS Science and Technology Forum" Sept. 17-18 on the campus of the University of California, San Diego.

Dennis Bauman, the Department of Defense's government lead for the JPEO JTRS organization, will discuss the state of the JTRS enterprise and science and technology initiatives. Another keynote address will be delivered by Lee Pucker of the Software Defined Radio Forum, who will discuss the forum's organizational structure, mission, government partnerships and role in technology development.

For the remainder of the conference, recipients of 7.3 Small Business Innovation Research contract awards and proposed Small Business Technology Transfer programs from JPEO JTRS will present their technology projects and capabilities for potential integration into defense or commercial communications products.

Media representatives are invited to attend 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Sep 17 and 18 in the auditorium area of Atkinson hall. For additional information, please reference the conference website at:

https://www.seeuthere.com/rsvp/invitation/invitation.asp?id=/m2c640-4TZLJGXZ8J1BO

or contact the venue coordinator, Jeff Nagle, at jnagle@ucsd.edu or (858) 822-1803.

About JPEO JTRS

The Joint Tactical Radio System, headquartered in San Diego, Calif, was initiated in early 1997 to improve and consolidate the Services' pursuit of separate solutions to replace existing legacy radios in the Department of Defense inventory. The JTRS program has evolved from separate radio replacement programs to an integrated effort to network multiple weapon system platforms and forward combat units where it matters most – the last tactical mile. JTRS will link the power of the Global Information Grid to the warfighter in applying fire effects and achieving overall battlefield superiority.

JTRS is developing an open architecture of cutting edge radio waveform technology that allows multiple radio types (e.g., handheld, aircraft, maritime) to communicate with each other. The goal is to produce a family of interoperable, modular software-defined radios which operate as nodes in a network to ensure secure wireless communication and networking services for mobile and fixed forces. These goals extend to U.S. allies, coalition partners and, in time, disaster response personnel.